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Assumption School Implements "Writing to Read" Program

It comes as news to no one that our nation is facing a literary crisis. The failures of the "innovative approaches" used in teaching reading and writing during the late 60's, 70's, and early 80's are now haunting every aspect of society and the forecast in this the so-called Information Age or Computer Age is rather grim.

Statistics show that a substantial portion of the population is serious lacking in adequate reading and writing skills. In an attempt to reverse this trend, Our Lady of the Assumption in Millbury, along with other diocesan schools, has implemented a "Writing to Read" program through the auspices of the Diocese of Worcester. Assumption and the other schools have been given IBM equipment through a grant from Anna Maria College, Assumption College, and St. Vincent Hospital.

According to Patricia Weir, computer teacher at Assumption and Writing to Read teacher for the first grade, the program developed by John Henry Martin is based on the theory that children can write before they can read. What is different, though, is that this method uses the newest technology as writing tools. Children in the first grade at Assumption meet one hour a day where they and a partner go through five work stations. The first of these is the computer which teaches the students 42 phonemes (a "phoneme is the smallest unit of speech, as the "b" sound in "bad") and shows how these can be combined to produce 30 key words. This is accomplished on the IBM PC which is equipped with a speech attachment which enables the computer to "talk" to the student. Mrs. Lea Gonya, first grade teacher at Assumption, explained that the first station uses the multi-sensory approach to reinforce learning. The children see the printed phoneme and word on the computer, hear the sound through earphones, use their tactile sense in typing, and are frequently called upon to clap or stamp their feet in response to instructions from the computer.

The children then move on to a "Work/Journal Station" where they break up words into their phonetic sounds. Their work is done in workbooks which Mrs. Weir or Mrs. Gonya monitor. Mrs. Gonya explained that each child is self-directed and individually motivated, and that this station allows the children to apply what they've learned.

"Everyday, the children have to wr… explained. "We ac… discuss their work ma… ns in an unintimidating manner." The children write on a variety of subjects that are chosen to stimulate the student's imagination. The children then enter their stories into the computer. This step allows them to become computer literate and learn how to edit their work on the computer.

The children then move to another station where they listen to children's literature and follow the text in books. It is here, Mrs. Gonya explained, that a student can see the difference between a word written phonologically and that same word in standard spelling.

The Games and Make Words Station is the last stop in the learning process. The children are allowed to write a word out in pipe cleaners or clay. They investigate words and letters with games and hands-on materials.

The "Writing to Read" program theoretically will use the student's natural inclination to write to develop their ability to read. In the process, children will become language oriented by using tools which invariably will be a significant factor in their lives.

Mrs. Lea Gonya watches over her first grade students at one of the work stations in the "Writing to Read" program.

Millbury and Sutton Churchwomen Participate in World Day of Prayer

By Lillian Sheehan

Thursday was an outstanding day for the Church Women United as they participated in the Annual World Day of Prayer, witnessed the installation of officers for 1988, and listened to Sister Maryanne Guertin, Co-Director of the Diocesan Commission on Ecumenical and Interreligious Affairs. Sister Guertin resides in Worcester and teaches Spanish at Assumption College when she isn't lecturing. Mrs. Dennis Mulhane greeted the group on behalf of St. Brigid's Women's Club and the Rev. Thomas Markey. She and her committee are to be commended for the program put on most efficiently and pleasantly.

Ecumenism has really taken hold and Millbury should be very proud of the fact that the first Ecumenical Festival was held here in 1967 when the Rev. Elton Brown of the Federated Church and the Rev. Pierre Dumas of Our Lady of the Assumption Church invited the Rev. William McNamara, O.C.D., of Sedona, Arizona to come to Millbury. Since his ordination in 1951, Father McNamara has traveled the length and breadth of the Continental United States giving lectures, talks and retreats in universities, colleges, and parishes. He has also written several books.

Officers of the Church Women United, left to right, President, Aline Bourdeau; Installing Officer, Anne Perkins; 1st Vice President, Dorothea Molleur; Secretary, Aldona Karsok; 2nd Vice President, Edith Army; Publicity, Helen White and Mary Mulhane. (Treasurer, Joan Brazeau and Devotions, Jeannette Dunn, were absent when the photo was taken.)

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Sutton Soccer Registration for Spring Season

The Sutton Town Soccer Association will be holding a registration for all girls interested in playing for the Spring soccer season. The registration will be held on Sunday, January 17 at the Sutton Town Hall from 1-4 p.m.

Girl's teams will be entered in the Greater Worcester Girls Soccer League for the following age groups: Under 10 (girls born in 1978, 1979, or 1980), Under 12 (girls born in 1976 or 1977), Under 14 (girls born in 1974 or 1975), and Under 16 (girls born in 1972 or 1973).

Anyone already registered with the Fuller Hamlet Soccer Club must re-register, but no fee will be involved. For others, the fee is $10.00. Registrants are requested to bring a birth certificate with them at the time of registration.

For further information, contact Bob Austin at 865-9706.

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JANUARY 18 - 22

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WEDNESDAY: Chicken Pot Pie, French Fries, Pan Roll/Butter, Fruit
THURSDAY: American Chop Suey, French Fries, Green Beans, Garlic Bread, Ice Cream
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ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE

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WEDNESDAY: Meatball Grinders, Potato Puffs, Peaches
THURSDAY: Turkey & Gravy, Mashed Potato, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Pan Roll/Butter, Jello/Topping
FRIDAY: Juice, Pizza, Tossed Salad, Peanut Butter Bar

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MONDAY: Martin Luther King Day
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THURSDAY: Turkey a la King, Whipped Potato, Mixed Vegetables, Rolls, Jello/Topping
FRIDAY: Pizza (Plain or Pepperoni), French Fries, Carrot Sticks, Peanut Butter Cookie

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JANUARY 18 - 22

MONDAY: Martin Luther King Day
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WEDNESDAY: Pork Chops & Onions, O'Brien Potato, Stewed Tomato, Wheat Bread & Butter, Tapioca Pudding w/Topping
THURSDAY: Chicken Stew, Green Beans, Hot Biscuit & Butter, Tossed Salad, Chocolate Chip Cookies
FRIDAY: Clam Chowder & Crackers, Baked Fish w/Cracker Crumbs, Au Gratin Potato, Harvard Beets, Oatmeal Bread & Butter, Fresh Orange

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MILLBURY SELECTMEN'S MEETING DIGEST

Concerns Voiced Over Health Care Provider

By Edward J. Cooney

JANUARY 5, 1988

Chairman Jude Cristo called the meeting to order and Minutes for December 1 and December 8 were approved on a 3-0 vote.

Administrator Earl Chase presented his weekly report:

- Chase informed the board that a recommendation for voting hours for the Annual Town Election on Tuesday, April 26, was received from Town Clerk David Matson. The Board approved Matson's recommendation of voting hours from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

- Chase reported that all liquor licenses for 1988 were picked up, with the exception of A&D Pizza on Elm Street.

- The Board was informed by Chase that a conflict in parking on High Street has occurred since the institution of the Winter Parking Ban. He noted that a change in signs recently installed on High St. has created a problem for three households who have no access to off-street parking. Chase stated that one side of the street would be sufficient to handle the winter parking ban to allow for plowing. The board voted 3-0 to enforce the winter parking bank with the exception on one side of High Street to accommodate those households with no access to off-street parking.

- Chase reported that Richard Colon, New England Telephone Public Relations and Community Representative, has requested to meet with the board to go over the schedule for conversion to electronic switching in Millbury. Cristo asked that the meeting be deferred until Selectman Wynton Adams returns.

- The 175th Anniversary Committee has requested that a Proclamation on the Town's anniversary be issued within the next two weeks for inclusion in the program. Cristo suggested that Chase use his creativity and write a draft for the board's review.

- At 7:15 p.m., the Chair recognized the Swim Study Committee members who were present at the request of the board. Cristo then announced that the board and the study committee would be moving to executive session for the purpose of discussing the acquisition of real property.

[At a previous board meeting, Selectman Roland Lachance suggested that a meeting be held with the Swim Study Committee to discuss the possible acquisition of the former Camp Marion, located on Lake Singletary, as a possible joint venture with the town of Sutton.]

The board returned to open meeting after a 15 minute executive session.

- At 7:30, a Public Hearing was held on a request for a permit for a Class II License on the premises at 328 Main Street by Normand Audette, for the purpose of selling used cars.

Cristo stepped down from the Chair, turning the hearing over to Vice Chairman John Donnelly stating that, as an abutter, he would abstain. No abutters were present to speak in opposition. Audette was granted a special permit on the condition he receives permission for a variance from the Board of Appeals.

- At 7:45, Donald Desorcy and Steve Webb, members of the Millbury Police Department, were present to speak to the board concerning recent notification from a group of pediatricians called Child Health Associates that effective January 1, 1988, they will no longer treat clients associated with Central Mass Health Care, Inc. (CMHC). Desorcy noted that they received the notification on January 4th. He indicated that he was not aware of all the facts, but stated that it was his understanding that the Auburn group practice was not receiving timely payments for services from CMHC.

Desorcy stated that he and Webb were requesting that the Town assist them in getting some answers by inquiring as to what options town employees using pediatricians under the CMHC would have to maintain the health needs of their children. Lachance inquired if they had received notification of their options in the letter. Desorcy stated that they were given two doctors, one in Holden and another in Whitinsville, but that

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others on the list would not accept new patients.

Lachance suggested that, since the town is paying for 75% of the health insurance, it might be prudent to ask CMHC to come in to explain.

Dave Cofske, Town Treasurer, stated that insurance carriers will not allow a change in provider in mid-stream and that a change could not occur until June 1st.

Cristo suggested that a committee be established to investigate alternative plans. "It (June 1st) may be too long away but there is not much else we can do at this time."

Lachance stated that CMHC now has an obligation to fulfill their contract with Millbury. He suggested that Chase call to see what they are going to do. "Let's get an answer, we are entitled to it."

- At 8:00 p.m., the board met with Sgt. Ronald Stokowski, acting Police Chief.

Stokowski stated that he received a letter from one of the dispatchers requesting vacation time. According to Stokowski, the employee in question has been on the job over 6 months. The letter stated that the person requesting the vacation time read the contract as indicating an employee is eligible for vacation time after 6 months. Cristo stated that he thought that that provision was negotiated during the last contract agrement. He also indicated that according to the present contact, a person is eligible for vacation after July 1st. The intent was to pro-rate time if hired after July 1st.

Stokowski stated that he had not talked to the Chief, but the employee stated that, in an interview for the job, the Chief indicated that they would be eligible for vacation time after 6 months on the job.

Cristo replied, "That may have been so before this present contact was negotiated. This contract supercedes any previous contract agreements."

Stokowski then asked if a decision has been made on adding more special police. Cristo and Chase concurred that the town is waiting for a decision concerning liability.

In reference to the use of Sutton Police for special duty, Chief Brady, who was in attendance, stated that each town has its own liability when assignments are made by local chiefs for special duty and mutual aid arrangements, through a revolving police department account.

Cristo stated that there is conflicting information and that the board will get back to the department.

Stokowski asked if the board had received a request for a leave of absence from Glen Parath to attend a labor conference as a representative of the Independent Police Officers Association. Cristo acknowledge receipt of the letter which the board approved.

Stokowski stated that two men who have been on Injured On Duty status will be back to work shortly; one will start Monday and the second sometime within the next two weeks.

Stokowski asked for an increase in the meal allowance for patrolmen while in training. He noted that the present allowance of $3.00 was not adequate and suggested an increase to $5.00. The board took no formal action but took the matter under advisement.

Lachance then inquired if Sgt. Stokowski is still Acting Chief. Brady indicated that he plans to return to work on Monday, but has been advised to perform tasks that do not require putting pressure on his foot. He stated that he would stay in his office and perform desk work.

The discussion then turned to an agenda item for a foot patrol in the downtown area.

Stokowski stated that the department has been patrolling more frequently in the downtown area and added that officers have parked their cars and walked around. He noted that this was not specifically planned but that the patrols were aware of the board's concerns. Lachance stated that he had noticed more police car visibility in the downtown area and that he considered it effective.

Donnelly expressed concern that there were still incidents of cars parked on crosswalks and on Elm Street. He stated that he observed a truck parked in the wrong direction in front of one of the stores.

A brief discussion ensued concerning the wording of the downtown parking regulations and the possible ambiguity created in interpreting the wording.

Cristo stated "If there is an ambiguity we should draft new language for the next town meeting so we will have something nice and clear."

- Earl Chase informed the board that he has drawn up a draft for consideration for non-union administrators to tie those positions down to certain job descriptions, benefits, and duties. He noted that he, the Veterans Agent, and the Chief of Police report directly to the board of Selectmen.

The board indicated that they would consider implementation of the recommendations. Chief Brady requested that he have an opportunity to look over the recommendations before they are approved. Lachance asked Brady if he would be interested in a contract and Brady replied that he would have to look at a proposal first. Cristo told

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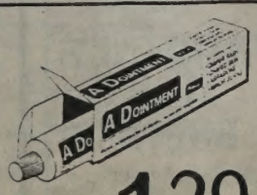

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Brady he would receive a copy of the draft from Chase. "I hope by next week we can vote on this and make it retroactive to January 1, 1988."

Brady stated that if the board is looking at a contract for the chief's position, it should be considered for July 1st.

Cristo then moved the meeting to "Old Business".

- The board appointed Catherine Marchand to the Resource Recovery Advisory Committee to fill a seat vacated by Alged Rudnickas, who resigned. The vote was 3-1 with Selectman Donald Gauthier opposed.

- On a 4-0 vote, the board reaffirmed to formally request the Resource Recovery Advisory Committee to consider the feasibility of acquiring residue material from Wheelabrator-Millbury Inc. for use by the town.

- Chase informed the board that the one bid received for restoration work on the Waters Mansion was $83,400, which is more than the previous bid turned down by the board.

Cristo suggested that the board may have to seek funds from the town meeting and seek out a local builder to do the work.

- Moving to agenda items concerning Lewcott Chemical, Cristo noted that all members were aware of the report recently released by the State Department of Public Health on the Lung Cancer Mortality Study for the town. He stated that the report did not mean much as the methodology used was not reliable.

- Chase informed the board that a legal description of the layout of Herricks Lane will be forwarded to the town by the Worcester County Engineers.

- Cristo asked about paring down to 9 members, a list of possible members for a Housing Partnership Committee. He suggested that Chase have a recommendation ready for next week's meeting.

- Under "New Business," the board approved street openings by Commonwealth Gas on Waters Court and Manor Road, which have already been completed. Chase noted that the work was required for repairs.

- On a 4-0 vote, the board approved a street opening at Nos. 1,4, and 8 Millbury Avenue by Mass. American Water Co. for repairs which have already been completed.

- In final action on new business, the board approved, 4-0, renewals for drainlayer's licenses for eight different companies. The meeting was completed after the reading of several pieces of correspondence received by the board.

Because of a lack of a second to a motion made by Lachance, there was no action taken on a request from the Dog Officer for a 6% increase in his and the assistant dog officer's salaries. No action was taken on a request for $3,500 for repairs to the Dog Officer's van, because of a lack of information.

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Assumption School News

By Grace Laflash

Dorothy Marchessault's third grade and Audrey Roberts' second grade visited the New England Aquarium. After viewing the film, "Fish Tales," they watched the dolphins perform and observed the other sea creatures housed there.

Father Robert Cormier gave a slide presentation for Sister Elizabeth Morin's sixth grade, Sister Marguerite Norman's seventh grade, and Rita Comeau's eighth grade. His subject was Calcutta, India. The dire poverty and despicable living conditions of these people were vividly manifested.

The Junior High's annual cheese drive was held. Top sellers in grades seven were Scott Baron and Kim Kilgore, and in grade eight, Erin O'Coin and Francis Niemiec.

Each year grades seven and eight tour a place of business to become familiar with a possible career for the future. The Telegram and Gazette's main office in Worcester was visited this year. The students were shown a short film explaining how a newspaper is printed then divided into small groups to observe the actual process.

Another interesting aspect was the one room museum containing old machines, printers, and reproductions of front pages from newspapers of the past.

The day's activities concluded with lunch at McDonald's.

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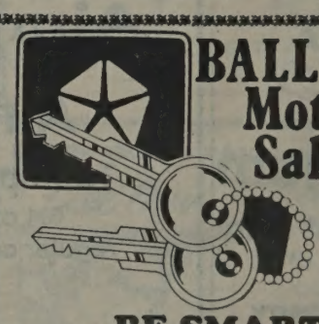

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School Committee Votes Down Nature's Classroom Proposal

By Edward J. Cooney

January 6, 1988

Chairman Hanratty called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. with all members present.

- Item 2 on the agenda was held over until the next meeting as Carole Chiras could not be present to discuss the K-7 Talented and Gifted Program.

- Item 3 was taken up as a continuation of a discussion on the Nature's Classroom Program which created considerable discussion at the last school committee meeting.

Dr. Troughton, Curriculum Coordinator, had suggested that the committee defer voting at the last meeting to allow for more time for the committee to receive information. Troughton turned the presentation over to Frank Rogers, Principal at the Shaw Middle School. Rogers went into detail on the planning involved in allowing approximately 100 students and members of the teaching staff to be away from school for one week during April for participation in a natural science program at the private school called Nature's Classroom.

Rogers explained that a parent had talked to Dr. Troughton about the program and that a representative from Nature's Classroom had spoken to the Mother's Club on November 10th. He stated that a positive response from parents came out of that meeting. "There was a definite interest and they asked us to pursue it further. I thought the School Committee was aware of this interest." Rogers added that the program was also readily supported by a number of faculty. "There was support from both groups, parents and faculty. On December 9, a flyer was sent home to parents. Fifty parents expressed interest. Everything was put on hold. We have not gone beyond that point."

Committeeman Edward Wilczynski asked Rogers about the number of 6th graders who expressed an interest in attending the program. Rogers replied that approximately 100 students from the 6th and 7th grades, or 40% of the total number of students in those grades, expressed an interest. Wilczynski then stated, "I was under the impression it was just the 6th grade."

Rogers explained, "In the future, only 6th graders would be involved in the fall if the program looks good. There is support now from 7th grade parents. We want to pilot this first."

Committee member Alan Tuttle pointed out that 60% would be left behind and asked if regular classes would be held. Rogers replied, "We will continue with academics. There may be a higher percentage out of certain levels. We can't tell you at this point. We may not have to even hire a substitute teacher. Students who are away will catch up when they come back."

Committee member Patricia Cooney expressed concerns about the lack of a steady flow of curriculum during that week. She also stated that, according to Nature's Classroom Representative, Dr. Santos, 50% of the teachers would be needed to develop "bonding" between the teachers and students who go. "That was the major part of the program."

Mrs. Cooney then asked if students who go would be tested on material missed at school. Rogers stated that they would not be responsible to take a test. "If we get permission we will have two months to plan. We will know what material is to be covered." Mrs. Cooney then asked how they would catch up. Rogers responded that they would not be expected to do that.

School Committeeman Bruce Pease stated that he had some familiarity with the science material to be covered and that whether it is covered in February, March or June is inconsequential. "It could be done outside any structured time frame."

Wilczynski stated that he had been wrestling with this issue for two weeks. He took note of the fact that the goal should be to improve curriculum within the school. "We should have as many educational hours as possible in school. We are structuring curriculum around Nature's Classroom and now would be reducing the school year by a week. If you consider release time days it is even more. The bonding referred to by Dr. Santos would occur with teachers there for an entire week. Teachers relating to kids will happen not because they are away for one week but only if the teachers have charisma. Bonding and charisma will occur only if teachers have that ability to begin with. I am not convinced that this is the appropriate way."

Tuttle noted that he had not heard a rationale for not having it during vacations or in the summer.

Hanratty stated that it would be difficult to get teachers to participate during vacation time. Troughton noted that that possibility had not been explored. "Dr. Santos inferred it was not being held during vacation time."

Tuttle stated that he would support the program during vacation and the summer. "One week isn't going to create great results."

A parent in attendance spoke to the discussion by stating that the students would get hands on experience, not worksheets and text books, and would learn science other than through books. She also stated that it would inject a little excitement for teachers and students who become "burned out" because of the monotony of structure and curriculum.

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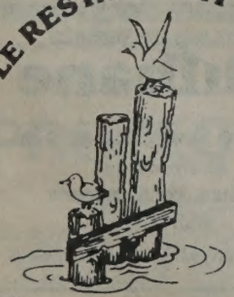

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Since these two very active ecumenical festivals have taken place, all churches in the area have become closely knitted together. In closing remarks, Installing Officer Anne Perkins said, "We gathered here today to prepare for another year in which our main goal is Christian Unity."

January 7th was the first on the 1988 calendar. The next meeting will be a meeting of the Board on February 9, 1988, at 10:00 a.m. at Assumption Church, Millbury.

SUTTON SENIOR NEWS

WEEK'S ACTIVITIES: MONDAY - Exercise class, 11-12, Crafts, 1-3, all day doctor appointments; **TUESDAY** - Lunch at noon, Social after lunch; **WEDNESDAY** - Lunch at noon, PM doctor appointments, Bingo 1-3; **THURSDAY** - A.M. grocery shopping, Health checks at Orchard Apartments 8-9:30, info and referral 10-11:30; **FRIDAY** - Lunch at noon, health checks in the Town Hall Library 12:30-1:00, bowling in Webster 1:15.

REMEMBER: if there is a snow day and school is cancelled, the van does not run. If Tri-Valley calls off the lunch program, then the office is also closed.

- On February 5 and 11, we will have tax assistance here at the Center from 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. You must call the office at 865-9798 for an appointment.

- January 18th is a holiday and the office will be closed.

- Again, we are asking for volunteers to work at the meal site and also to drive and deliver the home-bound meals. Many of our regulars have gone to Florida and we are now short handed. We would also like to have a few people volunteer to be "Friendly Visitors." Many of our elderly home bound people would appreciate a visit to chat with someone outside of the family and to catch up on what is going on in town.

Aroun' The Town & Golden Agers Update

By Lillian C. Sheehan

MILLBURY GOLDEN AGE CLUB: Membership is now open in the Millbury Golden Age Club and any Millbury resident over 60 years of age is eligible to join.

GET WELL WISHES TO Eva Callahan who is a patient at St. Vincent's Hospital. A speedy recovery, Eva!

WELCOME HOME to Max Grenier who has returned from St. Vincent's!

UPCOMING TRIP: Jake Army is busily planning a future trip for the Golden Agers in April. It is a five day trip, April 11-15, to The Granite in the Catskills. The price is $271 per person, double occupancy, and this includes all meals, plenty of things to do, and entertainment every night. See Jake and Doris Army for reservations, and be prepared to give a deposit at that time. Payment may be made in installments, with the final amount due in March.

CENTERVIEW APARTMENTS: Just a reminder - Whist is played the first Wednesday of the month in the Recreation Hall at 7:00 p.m. An invitation to all senior citizens in Colonial and Linden Apartments is extended for Whist as well as for Bingo, which is held on the remaining Wednesdays of the month. Good food, fellowship, and prizes make for an enjoyable evening!!

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Water Concerns Dominate Sutton Planning Board Meeting

By Jim Douglass

JANUARY 4, 1988

The Minutes of the December 21st Planning Board meeting were accepted with small corrections. The board took note of future agenda items including the following: a meeting with the Personnel Board on January 21st to discuss the shared planner, work with the Finance Committee on the preliminary budget process, the upcoming Town Meeting, and the placing of an article on the upcoming town warrant to accept $10,000 from the Tennessee Gas Company for rights to construct a pipeline which will skirt the town landfill.

A large number of Approval Not Required plans were discussed:

- Attorney Henry Lane was present to represent Guerriere and Halnon Inc., the developers of the McGuire Road subdivision. The board informed Lane that the subdivision was not within the district of the Whitinsville Water Company and that, based on the Planning Board's interpretation of the "zoning footnote", the developers could not receive water from that company. Lane responded by saying that, in a few cases, the Whitinsville company serves Sutton in two or three different locations and has for generations. He further argued for an interpretation of the footnote that "makes sense from a density point of view." Lane called the board's interpretation "a ridiculous reading." The approval was denied.

- A net increase of four house lots for the Pine Ridge subdivision on Merrill Road was approved with the modification of a restriction on the original deed shown to the board.

- Attorney Ed Taipley was present to represent Woodburyville Heights developer, Matteo D'Anneto. Approval was granted to authorize the Building Inspector to issue permits.

- A letter to Prime Plus was reviewed and was characterized by Chairperson Mary K. Connor as "Not a certificate of approval or disapproval." The letter deferred a decision on the Prime Plus development until a source of water can be determined that meets the board's approval.

- The Leland Hill Road subdivision, "Orchard Hill Estates," was discussed with a contingent of concerned abutters on hand. Attorney Jacob Oppewal, representing Ed Lamson of Green Road, expressed his client's concerns regarding a subdivision road planned near Lamson's home. Recalling that the road, which runs by Lamson's house, was closed by Drew Orchards and "has not been a public way for fifty years," Oppewal made his client's wishes known that any future road be set back much further from his house than the old orchard road. The developer had promised to work with Lamson regarding the placement of the new road.

- The final plans of Clover Hill Estates on McGuire Road were examined by the board and were found to be flawed by the recurring problem of subdivisions needing water from the Whitinsville Water Company. A letter will be sent to the developers asking if they would like to withdraw their application.

- Other matters discussed included "pork chop lots," sign by-law changes, and an effort to place an article on the warrant regarding drawing water from the Whitinsville Water Company.

Library to Feature Book Discussion Series

MILLBURY. On January 28 at 6:30 p.m., the Millbury Public Library, 128 Elm St., will present the first part of its three part book discussion series, "Beyond the Best Seller List: Reading and Discussing Books with Professor Alex Belisle." This first presentation will feature the book *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* by Ken Kesey.

Belisle is a professor of American Literature at Becker Jr. College and Publisher of the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle. With his love and knowledge of contemporary fiction, he will discuss *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest*, "a classic novel of the 1960's." Professor Belisle will also broaden his discussion to explore what's good and bad about American fiction today.

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Worcester Girls Club Forming Basketball League

WORCESTER. The Worcester Girls Club is forming an all new girls Intramural Basketball League and is looking for interested girls in grades 4 and up.

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Local Girls Among 1st Place Winners in Dance Competition

At the recent Showstopper Regional Dance Competition held on December 13, 1987 at Assumption College, two local girls were among the winners in the group competition.

Jodi Wincer of Millbury and Jennifer Scanlon of Sutton took two 1st place awards along with the following girls in their group competition:

Heather Balcunas, Stacy Balcunas, Nicole Belanger, Jessica Bergman, Kerry Booth, Megan Gniadek, Cheryl Godek, Tara Cox, Kara Engdahl, Kristine Grote, Caitlin Kennedy, Lauren Laperle, Emily Orciuch, Tricia Orrico, and Dawn Jolly.

The group also took 1st place in the overall group competition.

CYC Basketball in Fourth Week of Play

The Worcester Catholic Youth Council Basketball league is beginning its fourth week of play with eight undefeated teams. St. Mark's of Sutton, with a 3-0 record, is ranked first in the B Division played at Uxbridge High School.

South County B-Division Standings as of January 3rd are as follows:

St. Mark's, Sutton 3-0
St. Peters, Northbridge 2-1
Holy Angels, Upton 2-1
St. James, S. Grafton 2-1
St. Mary's, Uxbridge 1-2
St. Ann's, North Oxford 0-3
Sacred Heart, Hopedale 0-3

Millbury High School Alumni Speak to Students

MILLBURY. Seven members of the class of 1987 served as panelists recently to share their experiences as college freshmen with Millbury High School juniors and seniors planning on college. The panel was followed by a reception in the high school library.

Among the experiences the graduates shared were college selection, choosing a major, the pros and cons of ROTC, dormitory life and the need to balance study and social life. However, the major point made by the graduates this year was, "Don't take a weak senior program." Several mentioned that they had mistakenly chosen not to take a math senior year. One panelist felt she had to audit a math course first semester just to have a chance at passing it next term. Another grad said he had taken an easy program senior year and was finding it difficult to relearn good study habits.

Many of the alumni were surprised at the amount of reading they are required to do in college. One said when she was in high school she considered herself free of homework if "all" she had were reading assignments. In college, she said, "Most all of the assignments are reading, and you read for understanding or fail."

The discussion turned to comparisons of competitive and less competitive colleges. A young woman attending a competitive college remarked that all the students are bright and most are competing for A's which creates considerable peer pressure to excel. On the other hand, another panelist spoke of the less competitive nature of the college he attends. "People are very friendly," he said, "and although we have to study, there is no pressure to beat the student next to you to get the coveted "A". The pace is more relaxed and allows me the flexibility to hold a part time job to help with my college expenses."

A few of the grads found the first few days on campus difficult, adjusting to so many changes. Some have had roommate problems and have found that compromise and a good deal of patience is required to live harmoniously with others or to make changes. All panelists who live on campus felt it was worth struggling through a few difficult situations to have the opportunity to enjoy the relatively independent living college life provides.

According to Millbury High Counselor Joan Burke, "College is a great growth experience for young people in many ways that go beyond academics. Hopefully our present juniors and seniors will make good use of the information shared by the graduates as they make college decisions in the near future."

Scholarship Information Sought

MILLBURY. Organizations or individuals who wish to give scholarships independently in June should notify Mr. Raymond Gemme at the High School Guidance Office before February 28, 1988. Individuals or organizations awarding their scholarships through Dollars for Scholars will be contacted by the organization at a later date. This information is necessary so that all students can be notified of the scholarships available to them. If you have any questions, Mr. Gemme can be reached at 865-5843.

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Students Benefit from Millbury's Special Ed Programs

MILLBURY. Special Education programs in the Millbury Public Schools are under the able direction of Mrs. Joanne V. Stowe who has reported that, during the 1986-87 school year, approximately 270 students, ages three through 21, received special education services during the 1986-87 school year. The intent of Chapter 766 legislation is to provide for a flexible and uniform system of special education program opportunities for all children requiring special services.

In order to meet the individual needs of identified students, the Millbury Public Schools provide a full range of special education programs. Special Education services focus on remediation of deficit areas while encouraging students to continue development of their strengths. In most cases, special education services represent a portion of the students' overall educational program.

Instructional grouping is accomplished on the basis of age and functional level. Students are encouraged to progress at their individual learning rate. Personnel involved in servicing students based on their individualized educational plan include the pre-school staff, adaptive physical education teachers, resource teachers, speech pathologists, occupational therapists, physical therapists, team chairperson, school psychologists, home and hospital tutors, and special needs aides. The availability of a full-time school psychologist at the K-7 level and half-time school psychologist at the 8-12 level, has enabled the Millbury Public Schools to provide individual counseling, crisis intervention and consultation services to students, staff and parents.

There is one designated Team Chairperson for all building levels. The Team Chairperson's responsibilities include scheduling and coordinating all initial referrals for evaluation, re-evaluations and team meetings in regard to Chapter 776 regulations. In individual cases, a cooperative approach for students requiring alternative programs is coordinated with other agencies servicing students. The South Shore Rehabilitation Center continues to provide contract services for special needs students through the Cooperative Career Education Program. This program is designed to provide school work experience for older handicapped students that will relate their classroom studies to the world of work. Visually handicapped students are serviced by an itinerant teacher. In September, 139 children were screened in the areas of vision, hearing, speech, language and readiness skills for kindergarten. During the school year, twelve children participated in required screening for three and four year olds.

Women's Candlepin Bowling League

The first half has ended and congratulations go to the Hummingbirds for successfully holding on to first place. Team members are: Becky Rushton, Irma Healey, Shirley Webber, Doris Collette, and Marge McArdle.

TEAM STANDINGS

	WON	LOST
Hummingbirds	82	38
Cardinals	70	50
Nightingales	67	53
Cuckoos	51	69
Dodo Birds	50	70
Woodpeckers	40	80

High bowler of the week was Ann Coons who rolled a 323 with strings of 114-114-95. On the same team, Ann Kach rolled second high with a 315. Her strings were 111-119-85. Third high was rolled by Ellen Bouvier, a 294 with strings of 92-111-91.

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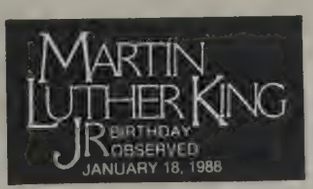
Joan DeSantis	92.3
Kathy Marble	91.7
Ann Kach	91.4
Mary Jo Boire	90.5
Ellen Bouvier	90.2
Gail Higginbottom	89.9

The second half begins on January 11th and all teams start from scratch. Good luck to all!



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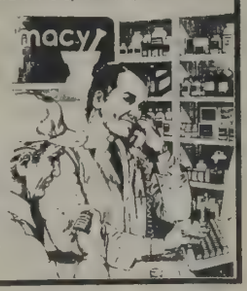

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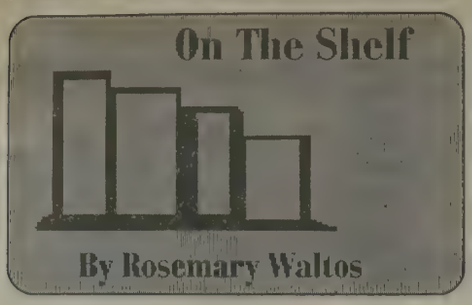

The Millbury Public Library has enjoyed a very good year. During 1987, the library was awarded three major grants. The first grant was for $10,000 to purchase nonfiction materials for adults and young adults. The second grant was for $8,300 for the purchase of non-print materials including video and audio cassettes. Finally, the library received a grant award for $5,000 to purchase a microcomputer that will enhance the library's ability to provide better patrons' services to the Millbury community.

In addition to these major grants, $1,100 was received from the Massachusetts Arts Lottery for programs such as "Beginning Water Color for Children," "Peter Rabbit" (performed by the Pumpernickel Theater), and a magic show and workshop given by Magician Joe Ilson.

The library has received generous support from various corners of the community. WEDesign donated $800 in graphic services to design and produce a library brochure, Millbury Credit Union donated $241 for library card envelops, and Whitney Insurance donated $424 towards the printing of library bookmarks. Finally, the Millbury Women's Club donated the funds for oak shelving end panels and their installation in the children's room. The Women's Club also sponsored a special children's program during National Library week.

There are many individuals who gave of their time and energy with volunteer help in a wide range of areas: Jean Despard assisted in technical processing, Joyce Cofsky assisted with registration, J.D. and June Griffin helped out in the children's room, and student volunteers included Marlene and Beth Horner, Michele Learny, Kristin Boire and Kristin Jalbert. Special recognition goes to our "stargazer", Stephen Nathan.

The Friends of the Millbury Public Library have also volunteered their services and funded several library programs and projects through 1987. Most recently, the Friends have committed $1,500 towards the purchase of a sign that will stand in front of the library and will contain the library's name, hours, and notice of upcoming library events and activities.

In 1987, the library had to say goodbye to its long and trusted library assistant, Carrier P., but we are happy to welcome Gloria Dolphin to our team of library assistants. Ms. Dolphin works in the library's children's room as assistant to Children's Librarian, Elaine Loehmann.

There are several ways to look at the year in review. The following statistics reveal that the library has a multifaceted, essential, and just plain busy and thriving town institution.

COLLECTION: The Millbury Public Library is pleased to announce the addition of video cassettes to its collection; there are currently 90 cassettes in this collection. The library hopes to add considerably to the collection in the upcoming year. In addition to expanding the video cassettes collection in 1988, the library also plans to build its collection of computer software, spoken word cassettes, and book cassettes.

In all, the library added 3,816 items, including print and non-print materials, to its collection.

CIRCULATION: The library had to compete with the proliferation of home entertainment options such as cable and video cassette recorder/players. The library managed to hold its own in 1987 by checking out 43,856 library items.

ADULT FICTION: 16,328
ADULT NONFICTION: 8,966
CHILDREN'S: 15,046
YOUNG ADULT: 1,025
RECORDS/CASSETTES: 775
VIDEOS: 1,076
DEPOSIT COLLECTION: 640

REFERENCE SERVICES: In October, the library expanded its reference services. In order to keep up with student queries, a staff member is now stationed at the library's new reference desk area to field questions during times of heavy student usage of the library. In 1987, the library fielded 2,307 reference questions.

INTERLIBRARY LOAN SERVICE: In 1987, the library submitted 508 requests for materials to the Central Massachusetts Regional Library System's Interlibrary Loan Office. Of these 508 requests, 485, or 95%, were filled.

PATRON REGISTRATION: A total of 759 new library cards were issued, 251 over 1986.

PROGRAMS: The library offered a variety, 182 in all, of children's, young adult, and adult programs and activities. Attendance to these programs totalled 2,692.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES: The Children's Room had a record breaking summer this past year. By the close of summer vacation, 3,536 children's books, records and cassettes were checked out. Program attendance for the summer was 835. Throughout the year, the children's room offered 156 programs. Attendance at these programs was 2,146. The children's room graduated 81 children from its computer graphics class and nine from its audiovisual workshops.

FRIENDS OF THE MILLBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY: This community support group was reactivated in 1986. With the generous assistance of Attorney Peter Keenan, the Friends of the Millbury Public Library initiated the process of obtaining their nonprofit, tax-exempt status. In 1987, the Friends sponsored six library programs and held another successful annual bake and book sale.

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The Library, its trustees, administration and staff, wish to thank all the people that have contributed in every way in 1987. A special thanks to all the volunteers, selectmen, town officials, and staff and department heads throughout the town, as well as members of the business community for their efforts on behalf of the library in 1987.

COMING UP AT THE LIBRARY

JANUARY 19: REGISTRATION FOR PRE-SCHOOL STORY HOUR. Register for preschool story hour's winter session. Preschool Story Hour is a series of programs that involves preschoolers in stories, games, songs and crafts. Each program is designed to help your preschooler develop a love of books. Two story hour sessions will be offered at 10:30 on Tuesdays and again on Thursdays at 10:30, starting in February and ending in April. For registration and details, call the library at 865-1181.

JANUARY 28: ***ONE FLEW OVER THE CUCKOO'S NEST*** by Ken Kesey. This is the first part of the three part reading discussion series "Beyond the Best Seller List: Reading-Discussing Books with Professor Alex Belisle." Professor Belisle is a professor of American Literature at Becker Jr. College and Publisher of the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle. With his love and knowledge of contemporary fiction, he will be discussing *One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest* in the context of what's good and what's bad in American fiction today. Join Professor Belisle and others in this provocative and educational program. Register at the library or by calling 865-1181. Copies are available for checkout from the library.

Commonwealth to Pay Interest on Unpaid Bills

BOSTON. Representative Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) recently announced the signing of Chapter 611 of the Acts of 1987 by Governor Michael S. Dukakis.

This act requires the Commonwealth to pay interest on certain unpaid bills. Any bill which has not been paid to a vendor who has completed work for the Commonwealth within 45 days will receive interest at a rate equal to the discount rate charged on said dates by the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston.

"This measure," said Kollios, "is very important to our small businesses and contractors who provide services to the state. This is an added incentive in retaining competitive bidding practices and reliable vendors who provide very important services to the state."

Those in the district most affected by this new law are snow and ice control vendors who are often faced with four to six month delays in payment.

The new law takes effect in 90 days.

Men's Winter Basketball League

MILLBURY. The Millbury Parks and Recreation Commission will sponsor the Men's Winter Basketball League again this year. This league consists of two divisions: high school graduates through age 29, and ages 30 and older. The league is open to all Millbury residents. There is a $15 fee, payable upon registration.

Sign up nights are Monday, February 1, and Monday, February 15, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building. The league will begin in late February or early March.

Field Scheduling Meeting

MILLBURY. The Millbury Parks and Recreation Commission will hold its annual Field Scheduling Meeting on Monday, February 29, at the Municipal Office Building at 7:30 p.m. All leagues interested in using the fields in town for the upcoming season should be present with their practice and game schedules. A representative from the High School will be present to schedule the fields under the control of the School Department.

Thank You

We, the Staff, Volunteers, Van Drivers and the Elderly wish to thank Judith O'Connor, our Director of the Millbury Council on Aging, for the happiness she has brought to us in celebrating our joyous Holiday activities.

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Crossword Puzzle

By Tap Osborn

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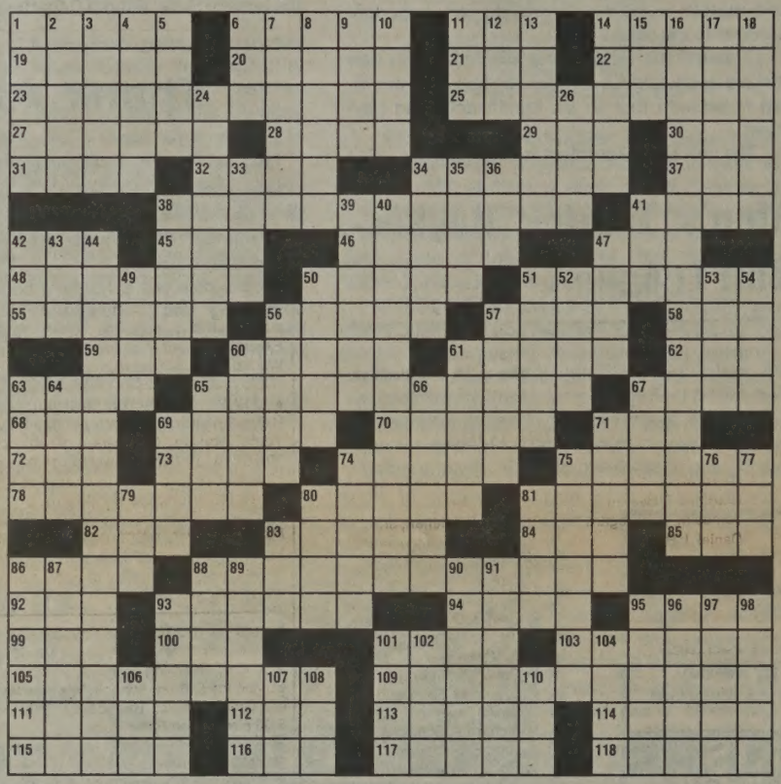
1 Corday's victim
6 Texas shrine
11 Hodges or Blas
14 Kind of engine
19 Eared seal
20 December song
21 Becker boomer
22 Slogan
23 Colorful creeper
25 Astringent mint plant
27 Actress Heckart
28 Ratio phrase
29 Be unwell
30 Future fish
31 Go the route
32 Pricing factor
34 Yachtsman's inn
37 Mu followers
38 Kept talking about
41 Power unit
42 Ga.'s neighbor
45 "Cool — cucumber"
46 Down source
47 "Diamond" lady
48 CSA member
50 Banquet VIP
51 Type of air service
55 Venerable
56 Fiat
57 Ruined
58 Have a confab
59 Resembling: Suffix
60 Unequal: Comb. form
61 Old hat
62 Wrath
63 Dagger
65 1952 Gus Kahn song
67 Misleading
68 Strange
69 Church feature
70 Popeye's lady
71 Racket
72 Pacific trip memento
73 Legwear
74 Part of NASA
75 Make a hash of
78 Relaxes
80 Tete-—
81 Room finisher
82 Auction signal
83 Winged
84 Overshoot, in hockey
85 Millenium
86 Retained
88 Nonsense!
92 Malevolent
93 Summer shoe
94 Russian physiologist's family
95 Vientiane's land
99 "The Gold-bug" author
100 Gold or platinum record, e.g.
101 Skin problem
103 In working order
105 Hefty limbs, colloquially
109 Seek business
111 Oleoresin
112 Aussie animal, for short
113 Diego Rivera painting
114 Ejected
115 Appliance button
116 Cribbage jack
117 Dogtag
118 Miniscule

DOWN

1 Home away from home
2 Courtyards
3 Actor Julia et al.
4 Medieval helmet
5 Classification
6 Dramatic unit
7 Grandiose
8 Bristle-like appendage
9 — Blanc
10 Bread spread
11 Chatter
12 Hosp. section
13 Musical direction: smooth
14 Olfactory sense
15 Word with head or line
16 Classic love plot
17 Dined at Sardi's
18 Self-effacing
24 Sealed in
26 Mortgage, for one
33 Glacial ridges
34 European bath fixture
35 Ground floor apartment
36 Field: Prefix
38 Walked through water
39 Grant a claim
40 Tweeter of song
41 Funny one
42 Bumbler
43 Picnic locale
44 Skirt features
47 Pear-shaped instrument
49 Estrada
50 Roman official: Var.
51 Sun protection
52 Sacrosanct
53 Carefree caper
54 Dueller's choice
56 Habituate
57 Barrel strip
60 "— on the hand may be..."
61 Golfer's gaffe
63 "Baby —"
64 Thought: Comb. form
65 Abreast of
66 Puts on Cloud 9
67 Of high quality
69 Toolhouse
71 Seaside hillocks
74 Dobbin's digs
75 Supports
76 Zodiac sign
77 Sea eagle
79 Tippler
80 M*A*S*H masher
81 Select
83 Append
86 Male salmon
87 Youthful Plaza cut-up
88 Fall flat
89 Hospital worker
90 Right to position
91 "The — Cometh"
93 Word with cake or bread
95 Actor Jack
96 Diminish
97 Of a bygone era
98 Motheaten
101 North African gazelle
102 Rubbish
104 Hide away
106 Society page word
107 Sticky stuff
108 Dissolve in tears
110 Farthest: Abbr.



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Solution to Last Week's Puzzle

IT FINALLY HAPPENED!

We knew that one day we would lose the answers to our Crossword Puzzle, and that day has arrived. Our apologies to our many puzzle fans. However, we have it on very good authority that Dick Kenary over at the Millbury Credit Union usually manages to finish the entire puzzle in no time at all. We're sure Dick won't mind a few phone calls if any of our readers were unable to fill in all the boxes.

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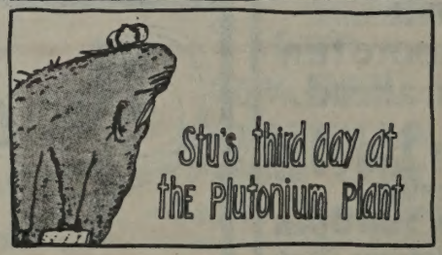

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by Mike Peters

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SUTTON FIRST CONGREGATIONAL: Rev. Andrew J. Bierkan, Pastor - Sundays: 10:00 a.m. Morning Worship & Sunday School in the Meetinghouse. Crib Room, Nursery, Kindergarten, Grades 1-8 at 10:00 a.m.; Jr. P.F. as announced; Sr. P.F. 7-9 p.m. Programs: Thursday Morning Bible Study at 10:00 a.m.; 1st Wednesday, Mission Team Work Meeting at 10:00 a.m.; 2nd Thursday, Women's Fellowship of Sutton luncheon/program/meetings at noon. Monthly Public Suppers on 1st Saturdays, 5-7 p.m. Monthly Public Luncheons: 3rd Wednesdays - noon to 1:00 p.m. April-Nov.; Sunday School stops after June 12, Children's Day.

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL, MILLBURY, Telephone - 865-9861: Rev. Arthur W. Perkins, Minister - Sunday Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m. - Sunday School 9:00 a.m.; Mondays 7:30 p.m., Diet Workshop; Deacons - First Thursday at 7:30 p.m.; Executive Board - Second Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.; Millbury Woman's Club - First Monday at noon.

MILLBURY FEDERATED: Methodist - Congregational Rev. Richard Mattozzi, Pastor - Sunday Services: Adult Worship, Youth Worship, Childcare - 10:00 a.m., Church School - 10:15 a.m., Coffee Fellowship - 11:00 a.m.; Bible Study: Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 9:30 a.m.; Senior Choir Rehearsal: Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST, WEST SUTTON: Mr. John Olson - Sunday Morning Worship at 9:30 a.m. followed by Coffee Time at 10:30 a.m.; 3rd Tuesday of each month - Women's Association meetings.

MILLBURY BAPTIST: The Rev. Jean M. Greer, Interim Pastor; Mr. Charles H. King, Minister of Music - Adult Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. - Morning Worship: 11:00 a.m. (children leave midservice for Sunday School); Wednesdays: 10:00 a.m., Discovery Group meets; Thursdays: 7:00 p.m., Choir Rehearsal - 8:00 p.m., Open Bible Study.

RAYMOND MEMORIAL CONGREGATIONAL (United Church of Christ): Mr. Raymond Mars, Pastor; Miss Elfreida Klaucke, Organist - Sunday Morning Service at 9:30 a.m.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL, Main St., Wilkinsonville: Rev. Walter E. Reynolds; Saturday, 5:30 p.m. - Holy Communion; Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Holy Communion - 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion (1st-3rd-5th Sunday); Morning Prayer on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month. Church School - Pre-School - Grade 8

EMANUEL LUTHERAN, 200 Greenwood Street, Worcester, MA, Telephone: 756-6620: George G. Kinney, D.Min., Pastor; Louisa Klaven, Pastoral Assistant - Sunday Morning Services: 9:00 a.m. (Nursery Provided); Chapel Service at 10:30 a.m.; Sunday School at 10:30 a.m.; Communion on First Sunday of the month.

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UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH, 88 Main St., South Grafton. Member-Conservative Congregational Christian Conference: Pastor, Rev. Edward L. Marston, Jr.; Sunday Services - Sunday School for all ages, 9:30 a.m.; Morning Worship Service, 11:00 a.m.; Sunday evening Bible Study and Prayer, 7:00 p.m.

FAITH ALIVE MINISTRIES - all welcome. 138 Providence Tpke. (Rte.146), Millbury, MA, 865-5966. Pastor John Pfeffer: Sunday morning service and Sunday school, 10:00 am; Evening, 7:30 pm; Wednesday Bible Study at 7:30 pm.

DEADLINE

The deadline for all submissions to the *Millbury-Sutton Chronicle* is 12:00 noon on Saturday of the week prior to publication.

Hanratty stated that he was in support of the program, noting that parents have enjoyed it. I am wiling to take a chance on the 40%. Give an opportunity for parents to make a decision."

Hanratty then asked Dr. Sylvia for his recommendation.

Mrs. Cooney interjected, "This is our policy to decide, not the superintendent's or the parents'."

Sylvia stated, "I have not been involved. The staff is excited, the parents want it. It is the parents' choice to remove their kids from school. You will not decide that. There is a lot of interest in outside education. There are different interactions. Discipline is different. The building principal and staff want this. Give parents a choice. There would be a small number of kids going out. Most of the teachers would be in school during that week. There would be two teachers in each department. How classes are to be organized is to be determined. I hope teachers remaining would do a strong job to coordinate. Those kids staying will get a strong program."

Pease stated that excitement could be generated. "It would be an asset to kids socially. They could help each other out. It would take them out of a sterile, stodgy structure. I support it strongly. We may say later it's not for us."

Hanratty closed the discussion by stepping down as Chairman to make a motion to approved the program. Mrs. Cooney, Tuttle and Wilczynski voted against the motion. Hanratty and Pease voted in favor. The motion was defeated 3-2.

- Under "Informational Items," Sylvia recommended that Service Awards for school department employees be deferred and held every two years since the number of employees to be recognized was too small a number to provide a buffet type program.

- Sylvia explained that the shot clock for basketball had not been bought from funds budgeted for that purpose. He explained that Athletic Director Richard Garabedian purchased athletic wear for various teams, which was more of a priority.

- Administrative Evaluation forms will be ready after a report is prepared for review of recommendations by principals.

- Sylvia informed the committee that Garabedian will be present at the next meeting to discuss the Athletic Budget for FY 88-89. He noted that there is less than a 10% increase being requested.

- Sylvia reported briefly on his goals, noting that the new reading program at the elementary school is going strong with the support of both teachers and students.

- An item to transfer funds of $15,000 from the 9000 Account to the 7000 Account was deferred to the addenda at the request of Wilczynski. The money is to be used to purchase computer equipment for the English and Science Departments.

- The committee approved a change in the date of their next meeting from January 27th to February 3rd.

- Under "Resignations and Leaves", the Committee approved unanimously, with regret and with thanks, the long and excellent service of John Powers, Custodian at the Shaw Middle School.

- The Committee approved a request for an eight week maternity leave for Judy Toscano, a teacher at the Middle School.

- Under "Appointments", the committee unanimously approved Sylvia's recommendations on the following:

Joy Flamand for a part time cafeteria opening at the Elmwood Street School.

Rosalind Bailey as a Special Needs Teacher Aide at the Middle school for one student, in lieu of sending the student to a school outside the system.

- Under "Addenda", Hanratty reported that he and Wilczynski met with the Fire Chief and two members of his staff at the Elmwood Street School to review what measures have been taken to correct deficiencies cited previously by the fire department.

Both Hanratty and Wilczynski concurred that they were embarrassed by the inspection tour as many of the deficiencies had not been corrected to the satisfaction of the Fire Chief.

Hanratty expressed serious concern with the condition and location of an area in the cafeteria that was being used for improper storage of duplicating liquids and a duplicating machine. Both he and Wilczynski told Sylvia that this condition has to be corrected.

While Hanratty noted that the alarm system is now working properly, he stated that the Fire Chief observed that other deficiencies were cause for closing the school. Hanratty stated that some desks and chairs were located in the halls on the second floor.

Sylvia stated that he had discussed the previous list of deficiencies with Elmwood Principal Kelton Johnson and Tom Hamilton, supervisor of school maintenance for the system. Wilczynski stated that is was not the fault of Hamilton that the deficiencies were not corrected. "The principal runs the school. He is in charge. It is his responsibility." Sylvia assured the committee that he would go over the issues with the principal and that they would be corrected.

Hanratty noted that the Fire Chief stated that he would communicate directly with the school committee in the future.

The last item before adjournment saw approval of a maximum of $1,000 for a metal cabinet to store duplicating liquids to insure safety.

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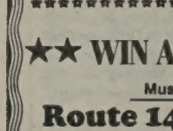

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